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| 4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.1 | | moliant Amendment | (PTOL-324) |
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It is unclear as to where applicant draws support (original specification and claims) for the claim language now proposed but needless to say it requires further consideration and search, not only of the art, but also for 112 first paragraph considerations as well.

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